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KAZAKHSTAN

Activity Title	Activity Description	TCB Category	FY 05 Total
Atyrau Airport Redevelopment	This \$176,330 Feasibility Study will examine the potential and economic viability of upgrading the Atyrau Airport facilities in Kazakhstan. Funded and implemented by Trade and Development Agency.	Physical Infrastructure Development	176,330
Economic Policy Reform - Kazakhstan	This activity focuses on four key areas: tax policy and tax administration, monetary policy, competition policy, and banking supervision. In the tax area, the project aims to improve small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) sector taxation, including estimating income for taxation of SMEs tax reporting requirements for small businesses bookkeeping requirements for small businesses and improving procedures for tax audit, etc. It also aims to provide the National Bank with consultations with leading monetary economists and provide consultations on macroeconomic modeling. In competition policy, it aims to develop implementing regulations and guidelines in three priority areas, including abuse of dominant position, mergers and acquisitions and unfair competitive practices. Under banking supervision, the aim is to improve consolidated supervision at the Financial Supervision Agency train examination staff on consolidated supervision techniques. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	518,700
		Competition Policy & Foreign Investment	391,300
		Activity Total	910,000
Enterprise Development Project - Kazakhstan	This activity includes enterprise improvement services, regional trade promotion (RTP), accounting reform, and quality management center (QMC)-(1) Enterprise Improvement Services provides Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) with targeted consulting services, managers advisors assist SMEs by advising them on building and implementing a strategy to resolve the identified growth challenges, (2) The RTP assists the economic development of Central Asia through increased SME trade, (3) accounting reform assistance provides the guidance and standards covering most of the components of a global accounting framework such as financial accounting standards, a code of ethics, management accounting standards, guidance for forming professional associations, establishment of education programs, and administration of exams, (4) QMC promotes the benefits of Quality Management and assists companies with ISO 9001-2000 implementation and certification. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics.	E-Commerce & IT	112,124
		Export Promotion	448,497
		Business Services & Training	1,009,119
		Other Trade Facilitation	672,746
		Activity Total	2,242,486
Faculty Exchange Program in Kazakhstan	The Agricultural Economics Faculty Exchange Program (FEP) brings educators from agricultural institutions of higher learning in Kazakhstan to the United States for five months to increase their knowledge of, and ability to teach, agricultural economics and marketing, agribusiness, and agrarian law in a market economy. The goal of the program is to promote the development of sound agricultural policy and effective and competitive agricultural marketing and business systems in Kazakhstan. Increasing the number of adults in Kazakhstan who understand how a market economy works, increasing the number of people who can teach and create educational materials on market economics, and increasing the number of people with the mind-set to adapt to a market economy is critical to the formulation and implementation of sound policy and the continuing development of a competitive market system in Kazakhstan. Funded by USAID/E&E and implemented by Department of Agriculture/FAS.	Trade-Related Agriculture	36,000

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Financial Sector Initiative	The technical assistance (TA) provided through the Financial Sector Initiative in Kazakhstan is aimed at the development of new financial instruments, the mortgage and the insurance sectors, establishment of a Credit Bureau, and further strengthening of the pension system. The TA includes assistance aimed at strengthening professional associations, such as the Association of Financiers, Actuarial Society, Association of Insurance Market Participants, Association of Realtors, Chamber of Real Estate Appraisers, to help them play a greater role in strengthening their respective financial markets. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics.	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	454,427
Kazakhstan Telecom Network Modernization	Support for this transaction will allow the national telecommunications provider to upgrade its network to a state of the art network able to provide multifunctional voice and data services. The funding level for this activity reflects the cost of extending a \$48 million loan guarantee, not the value of the deal itself. Funded and implemented by Export-Import Bank.	Physical Infrastructure Development	4,467,326
Support to Commercial Banking Operations	Support for a project that deepens the financial system in Kazakhstan, generating a better enabling environment for trade and investment. Funded and implemented by Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC).	Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance	470,000
Trade Facilitation and Investment - Kazakhstan	The activity cultivates grassroots participation in Kazakhstan of business, legal, and professional associations and other groups in efforts to reform legislation, administrative procedures, and practices that constrain the growth of small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and investment. It also builds demand for reforms to conform to internationally-recognized trade and investment requirements. The activity: (1) assists appropriate government agencies to implement market-oriented changes in regulations and laws, (2) educates government officials and entrepreneurs on existing laws and practices that limit SME trade and investment, (3) provides assistance in dealing with World Trade Organization (WTO) accession, and (4) supports SME trade facilitation activities, including activities aimed at resolving transit and transportation-related issues, improving customs systems and procedures, and increasing the level of coordination between customs and tax authorities. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics.	WTO Accession	63,318
		Customs Operation & Administration	443,226
		Business Services & Training	253,272
		Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord.	506,544
		Activity Total	1,266,360
Total FY 05 USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to Kazakhstan			10,022,929